

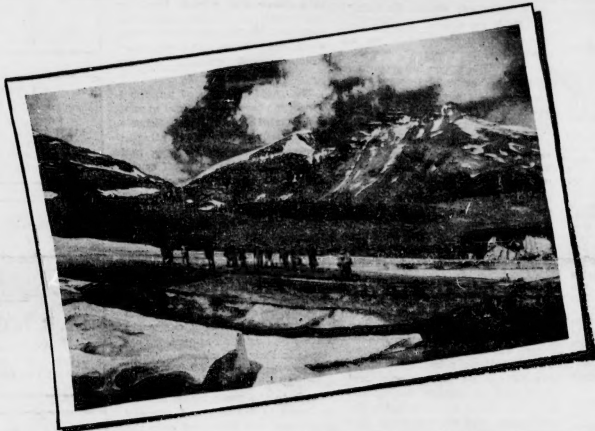
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LEGAL NEWS

LEGAL.—A carload of new Pontiac cars came last week. As everyone would expect, they went like hotcakes.

Miss Adele Lamarche was very ill at the hospital, but has recovered and is now back home.

Lucien L. Heureux was in car accident. His car is in a garage with considerable damage.

Mr. Philip Mercier is in the hospital. On December 16 his daughter-in-law, Mrs. D. Mercier, fell and broke her ankle. It is expected her foot will be in a cast for about four months.

Mr. Charlier passed away December 16. The funeral was held here on December 20.

Since the beginning of December Mr. and Mrs. H. (Buck) Le Febvre are the proud parents of a son.

Mrs. Tieulle's chicken coop burned during the night of December 17. Luckily there was no wind that night, otherwise her home might have gone as well.

Varsity students are home for the Christmas holidays.

Guy Carriere and Cash Webster are back from the Seminary for the festivities.

Midnight Mass was held in the new church. A large crowd attended the ceremony.

Windrew and Wilfred Dube, as

well as Mr. Gabriel Tieulle went on a successful hunting trip about 60 miles north of Smith. They brought back a deer.

VILLENEUVE NEWS

VILLENEUVE.—The school concert was held on December 21 in the parish hall. Both schools got together to give a splendid performance. The program consisted of several plays, music, solos and drills. In the raffle, the Baby Brownie was won by Mrs. Ronning. Christmas was celebrated in different ways but there was one way which was enjoyed by the majority of the people. The Midnight Mass is something which is looked upon as special.

The children who were away at school were all home for the festive season. Some are returning on the third while others are on vacation until the tenth. There were also the nurses and lumbermen home for the Christmas week-end.

HIGH FIVE CARD PARTY

MILLET.—At the High Five Card Party held in the I.O.O.F. hall, sponsored by the Rebekah Lodge recently, Mrs. D. Rupert and Eric Ackerman won first prize with the consolation going to Mrs. R. Womack and Mrs. J. W. Clarke.

STARS OF THE SCREEN

HOLLYWOOD.—For the first time in 30 years, Barry Fitzgerald will visit Paris and other cities on the continent next summer. He also will tour his native Ireland and stop in London. Although Barry returned to Erin for a visit two years ago, he has not been in Europe since 1918. He expects to spend about two months on the junket. Barry is currently co-starring with Bing Crosby, Ann Blyth and Hume Cronyn in Paramount's "Top O' The Morning."

"Manhandled," second of Pine-Thomas' top "A" productions under the unit's new Paramount contract, went before the cameras last week. Dorothy Lamour, Sterling Hayden, and Dan Duryea co-star in the suspense, melodrama with Lewis R. Foster directing. Irene Hervey and Philip Reed head the film's supporting cast.

Macdonald Carey, who recently completed a co-starring role in Paramount's "A Mask for Lucetta," left last week for New York. He will remain east three weeks during which he will make appearances on several radio network shows. . . . Ann Blyth recently suffered a painful injury to her left ankle when she was accidentally kicked by another player during a rousing Irish dance on the Paramount set of the new Bing Crosby picture, "Top O' The Morning." Ann finished the scene successfully, but the injured ankle soon was swollen to twice its normal size. The studio doctor is treating her ankle daily and she

will be able to continue with her role.

Approximately thirty relatives were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Bob and Dolores Hope at their home in North Hollywood. The Thanksgiving gathering of the Hope clan has been an annual event for the past eleven years—ever since Bob started his motion picture career. Bob is currently making "Easy Does It" at Paramount.

Douglas Spencer, who has been Ray Milland's stand-in for several years, has been given a key role in Hal Wallis' "Bitter Victory" at Paramount. Robert Cummings, Elizabeth Scott and Diana Lynn are co-starred in the production.

CASLAN NEWS

With Christmas drawing near the stockkeepers are busy handling turkeys which the farmers are shipping out.

Mrs. John Wolansky of Hylo was visiting at the Wolansky home.

Mr. Mike Krumpel of Boyle was in Caslan with his truck to get some stock to take to the city.

Mrs. Olga Trenchie went back to Thorild during the week.

The Caslan school children and their teacher are busy working on the Christmas concert which they plan on having December 23.

Mrs. S. Clalo made a trip to Edmonton on business.

Mr. A. Adaszynski has been making trips to Boyle in his truck.

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THE EDITOR.

ST. ALBERT BRIEFS

ST. ALBERT.—The St. Albert Women's Institute held a very enjoyable Christmas party at the home of Mrs. C. Laderoute last Saturday evening. Mrs. J. Harrold Jr. led in an hilarious round of games and fun. Mrs. Roy Kittletz added greatly to the pleasure of everyone with a vocal solo, a beloved Christmas carol.

Besides their Christmas party they had their annual meeting, and election of officers. The new officers for the St. Albert Women's Institute now are: President, Mrs. Lawrence Barry; vice-president, Mrs. W. Sinclair; secretary, Mrs. B. H. Wilson; treasurer, Mrs. Tom Atkinson; directors: Mrs. J. Harrold Jr., Miss R. MacDonald and Mrs. Ted Atkinson.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. Hector Perron is back home after spending a few days in the hospital with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Benion received at a turkey dinner the following guests: Father Gaudet, Mr. and Mrs. Benion and Mr. and Mrs. Roux of Edmonton, Mr. and Mrs. O. Roux of Legal and Mr. and Mrs. Curial of St. Albert.

On Christmas Eve the church was filled to capacity for Midnight Mass. The choir, under the direction of Sister St. Joseph, of the Youville Convent, rendered with splendor, a special mass of mixed voices and Christmas hymns.

Mr. Roch Lafranchise or New Westminster is spending the holiday season with his mother.

Mr. James Ronault of Maillardville, B.C., is visiting with his daughter and son here. Nice to see you again Mr. Ronault.

College and convent students of Edmonton are home for the Christmas holidays.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Strand, a daughter. Congratulations to you both.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Eugene Perron is laid up at home. We hope that you will be up and around soon.

To Mrs. Rose Demers and Mr. Andrew Goulet we offer our sincere sympathy for their recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bourgeois' baby son was taken to the hospital for an operation. We hope that he will soon be back home.

We just received word of the sudden passing of Miss Blanche Latulippe. Miss Latulippe was one of the oldest old timers of this district. She leaves to mourn one sister, Miss Ada Latulippe. To Miss Ada Latulippe we offer our deepest sympathy.

Talk about June in January! The Millet mail courier, Mr. J. C. Wagner, and his son Harley, saw a hardy robin a week ago when on their rural route about 10 miles west of the village.

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THE WORLD OF WHEAT

By H. G. L. Strange

The Proposed International Wheat Agreement

Still another attempt will be made, starting January 25th at Washington, to set up an International Wheat Agreement. During thousands of years past Emperors, Kings, Princes, Dictators and Governments have at times sought to set a price for wheat and other foodstuffs that would be satisfactory to both producers and consumers. These efforts had but one thing in common, they all dismally failed and made conditions worse instead of better. In 1933, an International Wheat Agreement actually went into effect; within 12 months almost all the countries broke its terms. These agreements fail because no man can foresee the future factors of supply and demand or of the value of money, which alone make the price of commodities. Last year an International Wheat Pact almost went into effect, it had a maximum of \$2.00. Had it gone into effect, prairie farmers would have lost this year over 40 cents a bushel on all the wheat sold by the Board of Class 2. The British-Canadian Bilateral Wheat Agreement also has resulted in great losses to our farmers. In another International Pact is put into effect, our farmers most certainly eventually are bound to lose, for these pacts are always made in the interests of consumers, who have the most votes, never in the interests of producers.

Antiquities of Britain

(By Elizabeth Richmond)

ST. IVES, CORNWALL

St. Ives, Cornwall, not many miles from Land's End, most southwesterly point in England, has long been a centre of attraction for artists, many of whom have made this charming old world fishing centre their headquarters. "The sea here is frequently a deep scintillating blue which intensifies the whiteness of the uneven stone cottages that cluster closely in the old fishing quays. At the foot of a steep hill lies the harbor. This harbor, which lies between two stone quays jutting out into the sea, has been painted by many prominent artists. The fishing craft which lie inside the harbor at anchor when its owners are resting, are painted in shades of blue, green, grey and yellow, and seagulls swoop down incessantly with a flutter of white wings. Sometimes Breton fishermen bring their boats into the harbor; now and then, as fishing boats come in laden with good catches of silver fish, there is great excitement among the bystanders.

Many of the old sail lofts, formerly used for the making and repairing of sails, have become artists' studios. The bright little cafes, overlooking the harbor, have

their walls hung with examples of modern art, the work of the St. Ives painting colony, while frequently good art shows are held in the small town. In the low roofed workshops along the quay, craftsmen produce fine hand-made furniture; some of the little shops sell only reproductions of fine pictures of Cornish scenes. The two chief commodities of St. Ives are fish and pictures.

Although it is connected with the mainland, at the end of the fishing quarter is a steep hill known as "The Island," and below Atlantic rollers provide surf bathing for holidaymakers. Across the other side of the town lies Carbis Bay where the pale yellow sands are dotted with colored bathing tents; above, the cliffs are flanked by fine modern hotels.

Britain's Royal Marine Commandos have one of their training centres at St. Ives and the men, with their modern equipment, cause much interest.

St. Ia, who founded St. Ives, went there from Ireland in the fifth century; legend asserts she sailed across the sea on a leaf. The parish church, which has some fine wood carving and a brass of St. Michael, is dedicated to her.

OIL OUTPUT DOUBLED

Canada's oil production has been doubled in a single year to a current level of 14 million barrels annually. This development, plus indications of a further major expansion of domestic oil output in this oil-short country through development of Leduc, Redwater, Lloydminster, and other oil fields, represents something of extreme importance to our economic well-being. Canadian imports of petroleum and petroleum products totalled \$188 millions in the first eight months of 1948—and almost all had to be paid for in U.S. dollars. Greater oil production therefore helps solve one of our greatest problems.

Socialism Doctrines Endanger Nation

MONTREAL.—B. C. Gardner, president of the Bank of Montreal, told shareholders at the bank's 131st annual meeting that doctrinaire socialism was attacking the moral and economic foundations of the nation. No Canadian, he stressed, can hope "that it will be possible to establish in this country some form of selective economic dictatorship that will apply to others but leave him unscathed. The experience of other countries makes it perfectly clear that once regimentation is established, no interest or class in the community can escape its toils."

Such an attack, Mr. Gardner asserted, was a challenge to all Canadians, but it placed a particular responsibility on business men. "I hold no brief," he said, "for any concern that in this day and age operates without regard to the public interest." Good business practice was the first essential, and, to achieve more effective public relations, business had to tell its story more completely and in terms more readily understood by the man in the street, he said.

WEAPONS AGAINST INFLATION

Chief corrective to the present "wide disparity between the supply of money and the things that money buys," Mr. Gardner stated, was increased productivity, which in turn depended ultimately upon more rapid technical advance. There has been a boom in capital expenditure on new plant and equipment in Canada during the past two years, an encouraging development, but unfortunately this expansion had not been matched by an offsetting increase in saving. The result was competing demand for capital and consumer goods and a strong impetus to the upward spiral of prices and costs.

After expressing his approval of the government's policy of operating at a substantial fiscal surplus, Mr. Gardner questioned whether sufficient attention was being paid to the control of expenditure. Governing bodies might well be expected "to give a lead in the elimination from the public budget of all but absolutely necessary outlays."

This point, the speaker continued, took on added significance in that existing levels of taxation had a direct and adverse effect on the saving capacity of the public, particularly that portion of the community which might be regarded as a substantial source of venture capital.

The president referred to the possibility of using a flexible rate of interest both to stimulate saving and to retard the rate of capital outlay. The policy of easy money had been developed in a period of deflation and unemployment, and he felt that there would be a definite advantage in introducing a further element of flexibility into the interest rate structure.

Further, he said, it was highly desirable that an increased proportion of corporate financing should be done in equity form than through the issue of additional debt.

GENERAL MANAGER'S ADDRESS

Gordon R. Ball, general manager, reported that the bank's assets stood at \$1,991,000,000, total deposits at \$1,877,000,000, both at the highest level in the B of M's history. The volume of banking transactions had continued to expand throughout the year; special services of the war and early post-war years had been replaced by the larger volume of more normal banking business.

The staff of the Bank of Montreal now numbered 9,300. Referring to journeys he had made across the continent, in the course of which he visited 135 branches in Canada as well as the bank's offices in the United States, Mr. Ball said, "This was a most inspiring experience... I cannot speak too highly of the fine spirit of teamwork, enthusiasm and devotion of which I found evidence on all sides."

The rapid increase of personnel in recent years had brought special problems of staff training. Schools for reserves were now operating in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver, and senior staff courses had been instituted at head office, while intermediate courses were in contemplation for the coming year.

Mr. Ball noted that the upward trend of commercial loans, which had reached a peak in November 1947, was now levelling off, and he regarded this as a "constructive development." In view of rising prices and costs many customers were adopting a more cautious attitude in their commitments. Turning to other aspects of the bank's loan policy, he showed that advances to the grain trade, as well as loans to farmers and primary producers, had increased over the past year. The bank found great satisfaction in the fact that loans under the Farm Improvement Loans Act had risen almost 50 per cent.

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In its general lending policy the B of M had been particularly anxious to meet the requirements of small business concerns and individual borrowers.

"Despite this," said Mr. Ball, "it has been alleged from time to time that, because of a concentration of financial resources in the larger centres, Canadian business concerns, and small ones in particular, are at a disadvantage in dealing with branch banks in the smaller centres, the inference being that only relatively few have access to credit.

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TIMELY HINTS

LEGUME SEED CROPS

J. E. Birdsall Supervisor of Crop Improvement, Alberta Department of Agriculture, suggests that this is a good time of year for farmers to take stock of their operations and to give some thought to their cropping plans for 1949. By making plans now, seed supplies can be obtained while they are still plentiful. Many growers of legume seeds will find it difficult to decide just what their plans should be.

Alfalfa seed production is not a problem since it is of necessity confined to areas where it will set seed and there is little likelihood of over production.

Alsike clover seed production has increased by leaps and bounds in recent years and this year the price has dropped sharply. This will tend to eliminate the producer of mixed and otherwise undesirable seed but there is likely to be a continuing market for good quality clean seed at satisfactory prices.

Alswede clover seed prices are holding up fairly well and there is a danger of great change from alfalfa to alswede. Growers should not forget that alsike is a surer seed producer and that the export market for alswede is much more limited.

Sweet clover, through high yields and unusually attractive prices, is giving excellent returns to growers this year. Before switching from other clovers to sweet clover, growers should recall the very low prices of many other years and should not forget that they can not readily change back. Once sweet clover is grown, it will volunteer in future years and the seed will appear as a very undesirable impurity in alfalfa and other clover seeds.

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Returning recently from the 9th Annual Frozen Food Locker convention at Chicago, Illinois, L. H. Arnold, Supervisor of Frozen Food Locker Plants, Alberta Department of Agriculture, expressed appreciation of a worthwhile conference and of the excellent maintenance and efficient operation of the industry as conducted in the United States.

In spite of the keen interest and spirit of initiative shown at the conference, Mr. Arnold is of the opinion that the standard of the Alberta frozen food locker industry ranks as high as any on the continent. Mr. Arnold points out that we have learned much from our neighbors to the south, and since frozen food locker plants in Alberta are a comparatively new institution, we have been able to take advantage of the good work done by the people of the United States and have profited by their experience.

In Alberta, there are now 114 locker plants in operation with approximately 40,000 individual lockers. In addition to storage, most of the plants offer full service to their patrons in the way of slaughtering, cutting, packaging and sharp freezing, and also the curing of pork products. The excellent inspection and supervisory services provided by the Department of Agriculture and the wholehearted co-operation of plant operators have contributed much to the high standard of the industry and to protection of the interests of owner and patron.

PLANNING A HEALTHY LAMB CROP

The health of a new born animal depends largely on the feed and care it receives before birth, and precautionary measures introduced after ewes are bred will help prevent the repetition of loss of new born lambs reported by many sheep breeders last spring. A. J. Charnetaki, Livestock Supervisor, Alberta Department of Agriculture, says that iodine plays a far more important role in the health of farm livestock than many farmers realize. To prevent goitered, and soft and flabby lambs, potassium iodide should be fed to ewes soon after they are bred. Four ounces of potassium iodide dissolved in a small quantity of water is mixed in 100 pounds of salt. The salt may be fed in small boxes hung or nailed at proper heights on board fences or on the walls of buildings. A small roof over the box will protect its contents from rain and snow. If along with an adequate supply of iodine, green leafy alfalfa is fed to pregnant ewes, the new born lambs will be much stronger and healthier than those from ewes lacking this care.

The circular, "Care of Wool at Shearing Time," also contains several hints on sheep management that will prove of value throughout the year. Copies of this circular can be obtained from District Agricultural Extension Service, Alberta Department of Agriculture, Edmonton.



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"The loss of labor from farms to urban centres must be made up if agricultural production is to be maintained," Arthur MacNamara, deputy minister of labor, stated recently at the opening of the sixth dominion-provincial farm labor conference in Ottawa.

Mr. MacNamara said that the shortage of farm labor in 1949 would probably equal that of 1948. After all available domestic labor had been used, the shortage would have to be made up by immigration. The deputy minister explained that the first displaced persons brought to Canada had been single men—the ones most easily placed in jobs. However, there were many married men who would make desirable immigrants but who were reluctant to leave their families.

Mr. MacNamara outlined a plan to settle such people in Canada. He advocated sending a questionnaire to the farmers of Canada to determine their needs for immigrant farm labor, whether single men, single girls as domestics, or families. An effort would be made to persuade farmers to accept complete family units for employment on their farms.

The deputy minister paid tribute to the displaced persons presently in Canada. A very high proportion of these were fulfilling their contracts and had caused the very minimum of trouble to dominion and provincial governments.

The conference was addressed briefly by Commissioner C. A. L. Murchison of the Unemployment Insurance Commission. Mr. Murchison urged the delegates to make it their business to investigate and spike the malicious rumors about displaced persons which were still being circulated.

W. W. Dawson, Supervisor, Immigration and Farm Placement Division of the Department of Labor, is acting as chairman of the conference.

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CHARRON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan Plamondon of Bear Lake visited Mrs. Plamondon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Evganille St. Jean for a few days.

The teacher, Miss Wilson, is busy preparing for a Christmas concert. Good luck to you, Miss Wilson as we know what difficulties you face having such a small group to work with.

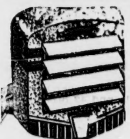
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Largest Eye Inst. Opened in Britain

A new centre for the study of eye troubles has just been opened in London. It has been formed by the amalgamation of the medical schools of three hospitals and is the largest institution in the world specialising in optical diseases.

Qualified students will come to this hospital from all over the world for training in ophthalmic medicine and surgery. It is known as the Institute of Ophthalmology and offers a wider scope for teaching and research than has hitherto been possible. It forms one of the federated institutes of the British Postgraduate Medical Federation of London University.

British Liner Insured For Record Amount

A new record has just been created by the amount of cover arranged for the new United Kingdom liner, the Caronia. She has been insured for \$16,056,000. This is the largest sum ever placed on an individual hull in the open insurance market. It exceeds any previous risk by \$2,400,000.

Riviere Qui Barre News

RIVIERE QUI BARRE — The new church although not entirely finished in the St. Alexander reserve will be used for the midnight mass. A sincere welcome is extended to the friends and benefactors of this mission to our first midnight mass in our new church.

The work on the Indian day school was progressing well until the present cold snap. By now everything is at a standstill.

Mr. William Schulte from Sandy Lake will lead to the altar on December 28, Miss Martha Onischuk of the same locality.

Mr. Morin, farmer instructor here, was forced to walk a few miles, his government jeep refusing to go any farther. Lucky was he to find the 1939 Hudson Sedan to pull him through to Riviere Qui Barre Garage.

Many visitors came to visit Father Pratt here in the reserve and all admired his new beautiful little church.

Philip Arcand's second little son was badly bruised lately having been kicked by a horse. He is progressing favorably.

Freddis Arcand is still working steadily at the new church. He is acquiring much experience in the carpentering work and will be able to do useful things for himself after he is through with his present work.

Normandeau News

A surprise party was given by the Turgeon family in honor of their dad's birthday. Mr. Emile Turgeon celebrated his 57th anniversary. Friends and relatives were invited. The evening concluded with an old-time dance when everybody had a good time.

AUNTIE AND NIECE



Yes, friend, you are mistaken. These two little girls are not twins. In fact, they don't even belong to the same generation although born within an hour of each other in the General Hospital at Edmonton. Together they will be celebrating their fifth birthdays on January 27, 1949. The "Auntie" in the picture is Pausette Baert, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jules Baert of Legal. Her little niece, Claudette Jovin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Baert's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lomer Gouin. Seated left to right in the picture are Claudette and Pausette in that order. Mr. and Mrs. Gouin have gone to Montreal for Christmas holidays.

KIKINO NEWS

Mrs. Stella Erasmus took her sick baby to the Lac le Biche hospital. It is in a serious condition.

Mr. Johnston had another bingo game on Saturday the 11th. They had quite a good turn out.

Mr. Roy Suddahe from Lavoie is out here visiting some of his friends.

Around Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD — "Alias Nicky Beal" recently was definitely set as the title for the Paramount film formerly called "Strange Temptation." Starring Ray Milland, Audrey Totter and Thomas Mitchell with an outstanding cast, the film was directed by John Farrow.

Stanley Ridges, veteran stage and screen character actor, arrived in Hollywood last week from his farm in Connecticut to start work as Dr. Fredericks, key figure in the Hal Wallis production of "Bitter Victory" at Paramount.

The Four Celis Brothers, vaudeville headliners who worked with Bob Hope on the Interstate Circuits 17 years ago, have been added to the cast of his current Paramount picture, "They Don't Say I'm a Fool." Lovely Ronda Fleming co-stars with Hope in the new comedy. Alexander Hall is directing.

Mrs. Fernand, mother of a prominent French family now residing in Los Angeles has been named by Paramount to direct the French language to Rhonda Fleming, who currently is portraying a European Equine in the Fox. Hope recently starred in "They Don't Say I'm a Fool." The comedy, written and directed by Alexander Hall, John Farrow, Hal Wallis and recently arrived in Hollywood to start his role as Dr. Fredericks in "Bitter Victory." This young actor has just completed a personal appearance tour through the East. He plays the part of a hospital intern in the film.

Robert Cummings, who files his own plans and produces some of his own films, has decided to do his fingers in a still another business. He's going to back Arthur Hackett when it is presented before the Paramount cameras

LEGAL NEWS

LEGAL — Mr. Rudy Perias was buried here on Monday. Connelly & McKinley was in charge. Father Berube is making the visit of the parish. He hopes to finish before Christmas.

Mr. J. Theberge who has been working at the hardware for the last few years is now employed at the Co-op. Mr. Laurier Regimbald has taken over his duties at the Alberta Lumber Co.

A group went to Bonnyville on Sunday for the initiation of the Knights of Columbus.

Surprise Party For Mrs. Webster

LEGAL — Last Friday night, about 30 ladies met at the home of Mrs. L. Prefontaine to have a surprise party for Mrs. Webster who was so devoted as president of the bazaar. They presented her with a lovely wrist watch.

To Mrs. M. Bouchard, secretary of the organization, they gave \$15. The evening spent there will be one to be long remembered by all who attended.

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Canada's Health

THE PROBLEM OF AGE
As science masters diseases, the average life span of Canadians lengthens and the problem of what to do with the increasing number of aged becomes greater. Contrary to popular belief, older workers are usually as efficient as younger people; they are not more prone to accidents and their skill and experience are valuable assets to modern industry.

RIPE OR GREEN

The banana may be used either as a fruit or a vegetable. When partially ripe it should be considered as a starchy vegetable much like the potato and should be used only cooked. In the ripe state it is a sweet fruit and should be eaten raw. Bananas are rich in vitamins and minerals. They are valuable members of the diet.

WAR ON RATS

Each year millions of dollars worth of damage is caused in Canada by rats. These creatures destroy food and property on a vast scale. Responsible for some of the most dreadful epidemics in history, the rat is still dangerous as a carrier of disease. Every means should be employed to destroy this menace.

THE FIRST RULE

All children ask questions about sex and the parents' answers should never be untrue or evasive. The cardinal rule is: Tell your child the truth, giving him enough information to answer his immediate question. Use language he can understand and tell him that such matters are best talked about only in the family circle.

SAFE WATER

Improper wells may be the cause of serious disease in rural districts. Wells should be placed an adequate distance from homes or outhouses and should be protected from surface drainage. The importance of a safe well cannot be overstressed. The location of a well depends on the nature of the surrounding areas.

BREAKFAST MENU

On chilly December mornings a dish of hot cooked cereal helps start the day on the right foot. Oatmeal or other whole-grain cereals are not only appetizing but they provide warmth and energy while supplying minerals and the B. vitamins. A good breakfast means energy to spare.

House Plants In Need of Rest During Winter

According to horticultural officials of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, winter should be a season of rest for house plants. It should be a period of relaxation and an opportunity to store up energy for later activity.

The resting period is naturally induced by the shortened days and lowered temperatures. With many plants this slowing process may be imperceptible, with others it is distinct and unmistakable. Bulbous plants are an instance of complete rest. Many house plants will cease to bloom and others will do so feebly. Most of those which will flower at this season have been conditioned or prepared for blooming during the preceding months of summer or autumn.

Recognition of the above facts indicates the winter treatment. All practices which tend to stimulate growth should be held in check. Less water is needed, potting and root disturbance of any kind should be suspended. Fairly low temperatures are desirable, but may be difficult to obtain.

The temperature of the house must of necessity be maintained at a point favoring the comfort of the human rather than the plant inmates. It is a conservative statement that places a winter dwelling house temperature at 70 degrees. This is much too high for a great many plants. It is a good growing temperature for warmth-loving plants under conditions of spring daylight and ample humidity. But the combined effects of high temperature, comparative darkness and a dry atmosphere are not favorable to important plant health.

Perhaps the reasonable attitude to take in this respect is to maintain a day temperature around 70 degrees with a drop to about 60 degrees after retiring. To promote humidity, the usual evaporating pans on radiators and metal trays of gravel on window sills to hold the plants will be helpful.

London's New Policy Municipal Housing Estates

A new housing project, which is the first of its kind ever undertaken by a municipal authority, was inaugurated in Britain recently when the Leader of the London County Council cut the turf on a site, near London, set aside for houses to be rented to members of professional and managerial classes.

This is the first time that the housing estate has been planned as a balanced community of both working and middle-class householders.

These houses will be rather more spacious than those ordinarily built by the London County Council. They will comprise six or seven rooms with a kitchen, bathroom and garage. Doctors, dentists and managers of local industries will be given first choice of tenancies. Mr. Hayward said that ultimately five per cent of the houses built on the London County Council's eight development schemes will be of this type.

WIRES 'UNSIGHTLY'

The Moose Jaw parks board recently turned down a request for permission to service a cabin in one of its parks with electricity unless underground wires were used. The reason given was that overhead wires were unsightly.

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The Case for Gas Export

By
WILLIAM E. SIMPSON, K.C.
on behalf of
Northwest Natural Gas Company

In proceedings before the Commission appointed by the Provincial Government to investigate the Natural Gas Reserves of the Province, etc.

Mr. Chairman and Commissioners:
I am representing the Northwest Natural Gas Company.

This Company has made a study of the natural gas resources of the Province of Alberta and is satisfied that Alberta has enough natural gas to meet its requirements, present and future, and in addition has a large surplus which needs a market. My client will, if authorized, build a pipe line system and buy some of such surplus gas and transport it to new markets.

I have associated with me at the present time Mr. Arthur G. Logan, a Director of the Company; Mr. James Walker, O.B.E., of Edmonton, Canadian Manager of the Company, and as technical advisors, Dr. Albert D. Brokaw, Mr. A. F. Dixon, Dr. T. A. Link and Mr. Fulton W. Copp. If during the hearing it should appear that evidence useful to this Commission might be obtained through further experts, my client will not hesitate to secure their services if at all possible, and if the Commission should indicate its desire to have such further experts called, we will be only too willing to bring them here.

This proposed pipe line will transport natural gas, after all the liquid products have been extracted, from Alberta to Vancouver, and will serve Spokane, Seattle and other areas in the Pacific Northwest.

Despite the study which the Company has made and the conclusion arrived at, we are all very pleased that the Government of Alberta has seen fit to set up this Commission and charge it with the responsibility of determining the several points set out in the "Terms of Reference," as you have the widest powers with regard to the colling of witnesses and obtaining of relevant information.

As you will fully appreciate, Mr.

Chairman and Commissioners, you have been charged with a serious responsibility, as the matters you must determine have not only a Provincial and Dominion, but also an international significance. In view of the fact that we feel your findings will show that there is a surplus of gas in Alberta over and above all the Province's requirements, it is therefore in order to point out that a few of the important results of the building of this pipe line will be:

Firstly: Several major gas fields have been developed in Alberta because local markets were available, or because the operator anticipated a market would be available. It is a fact that a considerable number of gas discovery wells throughout the Province have been abandoned or capped and no attempt made to determine the extent of the reserves because there was no market for the gas. Opening of new markets through a pipe line project such as proposed by my client would result in rapid expansion of Alberta's gas reserves and encouragement of accelerated exploration for both gas and oil.

Secondly: If the pipe line project proposed by my client is permitted to be built, an extensive system of gas gathering lines will be constructed in Alberta. Some of these lines will in all probability pass through areas of the Province not now served with natural gas, thus making natural gas available for sale to local distributing companies so that Albertans living in towns or villages in these areas will have the opportunity to be served with natural gas. My client will not, of course, engage in retailing natural gas in Alberta.

Thirdly: The connecting of this province more closely with our neighboring province, British Columbia. It will be remembered that the most important reason for building the Canadian Pacific Railway was to create a closer tie between British Columbia and the rest of Canada. This pipe line would, not to the same extent, of course, have the same effect.

Fourthly: It will have the effect of creating a closer tie with the United States, whose economy and

national security is every day becoming more closely allied with our own and who has supplied us in the past and still supplies us with materials which were and are sorely needed in Canada, and which in some cases have been in short supply in the United States.

Fifthly: Although I am reluctant to refer to the possibility of another war, it would be well to consider the valuable use this gas could be put to in Vancouver and the Northwestern States in view of their tremendous contribution to the last war effort.

Sixthly: The carrying out of this pipe line project would also have the effect of assisting Canada as a whole in its balance of trade and shortage of American dollars position.

Seventhly: It will have the effect of giving to the Province of Alberta increased revenue through royalties and otherwise, and all the direct and indirect benefits that come to the Province through the exploration and development of oil and natural gas fields and the building of a pipe line to the Pacific Coast.

Canada has for many years been dependent to a large extent on the United States for its oil and gasoline supply and we were supplied with them by the United States during and since the last war while they had an acute shortage of their own, and although we hope through exploration and development of our own natural resources that this situation will not continue too long, it would nevertheless be a reciprocal gesture to help our surplus natural gas to the United States when they need it.

It can quite properly be said that my client is appearing before you as a customer for something which the Province of Alberta has for sale, after taking care of all the requirements of the Province. If sufficient gas is found in the United States to supply the Northwest Pacific States (and this is certainly within the realm of possibility) Alberta would forever lose this market and it might happen that in the course of the next two or three years, with the intensive exploration that is now going on in Alberta, the Province would find itself in the position of having almost unlimited supplies of natural gas over and above its own needs and no place to sell it, so I think it will be generally agreed that the Province should give very careful consideration to the opportunity which now presents itself to sell a product which we have available to people who need it. This in itself will create another vast new industry for Alberta.

At the present time a very large demand for natural gas exists in the areas which my client proposes to serve on the Pacific Coast. It should be remembered, however, that natural gas reserves are being developed within the United States and it is quite conceivable that the market we propose to serve will be served from American fields if too much time is taken to turn my client's proposals into a completed project. This is one of the reasons why my client is very pleased that the Government has seen fit to set up this Commission in order to find the facts as to the natural gas reserves of the Province and the uses to which they may be put.

I am sure you will agree with me that my client is not appearing before you as a plaintiff or as a defendant, but, of course, it is certainly an interested party—very interested—as this venture will require the expenditure of about \$100,000,000.00. Of this, approximately forty per cent would be invested in Alberta and would be owned by a Company formed in Canada.

May I repeat that we are only too willing to co-operate with you in every possible way in carrying out the task which you have undertaken.

W. E. SIMPSON.

Anglo-Irish Foods

The British Ministry of Food has announced that Britain is prepared to offer increased prices for Irish foodstuffs in order to increase imports. The British Minister of Food expressed satisfaction with Irish egg imports, but regrets over the disappearance of Irish bacon from the British market. Britain herself produces about half of her required 600 thousand tons of bacon per annum and the Minister declared there was a market for all the bacon Elre could supply.

World Wool Production

According to the Commonwealth Economic Committee, London, world apparel wool production in 1948-49 is estimated at 2.98 billion pounds (greasy basis), about 2 per cent larger than in the previous season but slightly below pre-war. The present rate of production, however, does not seem to keep pace with world consumption. The International Wool Study Group reported at its recent annual meeting in London, that world stocks of wool will be reduced by the end of June, 1949, to 2.75 million pounds (greasy basis) from 3.55 million at the same date in 1948.

After chatting with her new maid for a few minutes, Mrs. Simpson said:
"My last two housemaids were too fond of policemen, and I had to discharge them on that account. I do hope you won't give me any trouble of that sort."
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St. Mary's Anglican Church, of Edmonton, was the scene of a quiet wedding recently, when Phyllis Janet, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Harvey, of Mil-

let, became the bride of Charles Preston, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cummings, of Wetaskiwin. Rev. Elkin officiated.

The bride was becomingly attired in an afternoon frock of blue crepe, with accessories of grey. She wore a corsage of pink roses.

Mrs. Gerald A. Scott was her sister's bridesmaid. She wore an afternoon frock of maroon crepe with black accessories. Her corsage was of white carnations.

Mr. Gerald A. Scott acted as best man.

Following a honeymoon spent in the Eastern United States, Mr. and Mrs. Cummings will reside in Wetaskiwin.

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Lady Curlers Celebrate

MILLET — The Ladies' Curling Club held their Christmas party on Wednesday afternoon with approximately 26 members attending.

Mrs. Herbert Pogue and Mrs. G. Scatchard skipped the rinks playing in the afternoon, this was followed by a tea party and a Christmas tree in the club room. Gifts were exchanged between members present.

The next games will be played on Wednesday afternoon, January 5th.

In spite of the busy season the ladies voted the party a success.

MILLET LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. David Kutzmar have gone to British Columbia where they will spend the Christmas holidays with their son, who is teaching in that province.

Mrs. G. Johns has gone to Kimberly, B.C. for the Christmas holidays where she will visit her son, G. Johns.

Mrs. Kenneth Kerr spent a short time in Coquitlam where she visited a sister who had suffered a broken hip.

Miss S. Birkened, of Saakatoon, was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. Sarah Rigby.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kent, of Edmonton, spent last Sunday visiting friends in the village.

Sgt. Walter E. Wood, R.C.A.F., Mrs. Wood and Kent, spent last Sunday at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pohl and monton.

Marjory were recent visitors in Edmonton. Mr. Duncan Blundell, former teller in the Imperial Bank, was transferred to Cochrane, Ont. Mr. Norman Lemby, of Calgary, is now teller in the Imperial Bank.

Miss Kathleen Fulcher, of High Prairie, is at home for the Christmas holidays.



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Science and the Farmer

Science is sometimes held accountable for many, if not most, of the world's present ills, such as mechanization with consequent unemployment, atomic warfare and irreligion. But the effects of science are not all evil. Science, as applied to agriculture, for instance, has conferred immense benefits and untold wealth upon the farmer, and through him, to the whole community. With every passing year it is demonstrating to an increasing extent how the bountiful gifts of nature may most usefully be employed and perpetuated for man's happiness and profit.

Space prevents any reference in detail to the great economic advantages which science has brought to the farmers of Western Canada. One has only to think, however, of the outstanding debt prairie farmers owe to science through the development of high-yielding, disease-resisting varieties of wheat, oats, barley, flax and other crops. The development of more effective land management and soil conservation practices, the great advances in mechanization, and the discovery of more effective and cheaper chemicals to fertilize the soil, to control weeds, to reduce the enormous annual losses from insect pests and plant diseases are some of the important contributions of science to the welfare of prairie agriculture. Yet, science, as applied to agriculture, is continually providing new and valuable knowledge which is steadily modifying farm practice and enabling the farmers of Western Canada to win new wealth from the soil.

As this year ends, therefore, let us enjoy to the full the blessings another bountiful harvest has brought us, but let us not fail to pay a sincere tribute of appreciation to their efficient work to the Canadian scientists who are continually adding to our stock of agricultural knowledge, and thereby to the real wealth of their country. No group of men have conferred more far-reaching benefits upon the farmers of Western Canada.

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| 19 | LEDUC at CALMAR |
| | FORT at MORINVILLE |
| | THORSBY at STONY PLAIN |
| 22 | MORINVILLE at NAMAO |
| 23 | STONY PLAIN at LEDUC |
| 29 | NAMAO at FORT |
| | CALMAR at THORSBY |
| 30 | MORINVILLE at LEDUC |

JANUARY

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| 5 | CALMAR at NAMAO |
| 6 | FORT at LEDUC |
| | MORINVILLE at STONY PLAIN |
| 9 | NAMAO at CALMAR |
| | LEDUC at MORINVILLE |
| | STONY PLAIN at THORSBY |
| 11 | LEDUC at NAMAO |
| 12 | CALMAR at FORT |
| 15 | FORT at CALMAR |
| 15 | LEDUC at STONY PLAIN |
| 16 | MORINVILLE at THORSBY |
| 17 | STONY PLAIN at FORT |
| 19 | NAMAO at MORINVILLE |
| 20 | THORSBY at LEDUC |
| 23 | STONY PLAIN at MORINVILLE |
| | FORT at NAMAO |
| 26 | LEDUC at FORT |
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| | THORSBY at NAMAO |
| 28 | LEDUC at THORSBY |
| 29 | CALMAR at STONY PLAIN |

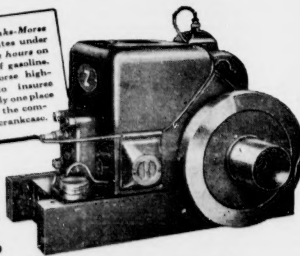
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